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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG EG

SUBJECT: QATTARA DEPRESSION PRLECT: NUCLEAR ASPECTS

REF: STATE 203884

1. INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTEL HELPFUL AND WILL BE
USED IN DISCUSSION WITH GOE OFFICIALS.

2. WE REMAIN SOMEWHAT CONCERNED, HOWEVER, AT WHAT APPEAR
TO BE UNCOORDINATED LLL DISCUSSIONS WITH GERMANS RE PROJECT.
THESE INEVITABLY REACH EGYPTIANS AND, AS DEPARTMENT RIGHTLY
NOTES IN REFTEL, ARE MISINTERPRETED HERE. GIVEN SENSITIVITY
OF THIS PROJECT, AS EVIDENCED BY NSC POLICY REVIEW NOW UNDERWAY,
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IT WOULD SEEM DESIRABLE TO ENSURE THAT LLL BE REINED IN A BIT.

AT THE VERY LEAST, LLL SHOULD SEEK ADVANCE POLICY GUIDANCE BEFORE ANY PERTINENT DISCUSSIONS WITH PARTIES, WHO MAY BE EXPECTED TO SEND REPORTS TO GOE. TIMELY MEMCONS OF PERTINENT TALKS OUGHT TO BE SUBMITTED TO DEPT AND ERDA WITH COPY TO AMEMBASSY CAIRO.

3. WE HAVE IMPRESSION THAT GERMANS, HOWEVER MUCH THEY HAVE BEEN CAUTIONED, ARE ENCOURAGING GOE TO PROCEED WITH PROJECT AND ARE CONSCIOUSLY OR OTHERWISE GIVING MINELECTRICITY ROSEATE ESTIMATE OF ULTIMATE USG WILLINGNESS PARTICIPATE IN NUCLEAR ASPECTS. THIS COULD EVENTUALLY PROVE EMBARRASSING TO US IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIPS. HENCE, NEED FOR CLOSE MONITORING OF GERMAN AND LLL ACTIVITIES.
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